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August 7, 2000

Mr. Steve Ritchie, Acting Manager
CALFED Bay/Delta Program
1416 Ninth Street, Suite 1155
Sacramento CA 95814

Dear Mr. Ritchie:

My family has been farming in Colusa County for over 40 years. We are concerned about our land and its future. We are requesting that you consider the following.

Lengthen the comment period on your final CalFed EIS/EIR released July 21. We work more than 70 hours on our ranch per week during this time of year and this is not enough time to adequately review the plan.

Hold public meetings to explain this plan to us. The 6,500 page report is complicated.

Mr. Ritchie, the CalFed plan is flawed. I am disappointed that CalFed and its operating agencies have ignored the more than 1,000 representatives of agriculture who attended your 16 CalFed hearings last year. Of the 800 people who spoke, most were from agriculture. These people are the backbone of the economy, the number one industry for producing wildlife, oxygen and food. I am concerned about this plan, as I understand it so far. I have wildlife and habitat on my land. If CalFed acquires several hundred thousand acres of land as planned, it will be detrimental to habitat. I do not believe that CalFed adequately studied the effects of such a large-scale land conversion.

Sincerely,

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David H. Myers, Partner

Cc: Governor Davis; Dianne Feinstein ; Barbara Boxer; Gary Sack; Maurice Johannessen; Doug Ose;
Colusa County Board of Supervisors